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Doing business in Ghana is a lot easier - study

Africa moved up from last place to the middle of the pack among world regions in carrying out changes that make it easier to start and run a business, according to a World Bank report released Tuesday. Tanzania and Ghana catapulted this year into the ranks of the top 10 reformers. Rwanda and Nigeria made it into the top 20. And 26 other African countries took modest steps to ease business regulations "by the stroke of a minister's pen," the report noted. Africa, the world's poorest region, currently has the highest tax rates and some of its most convoluted and antiquated business regulations. In every African country, most businesses operate underground, beyond the reach of regulators and tax collectors.

Authors of the report, "Doing Business," by the World Bank and the International Finance Corporation, the bank's private sector arm, say they hope simplifying and easing the rules of the capitalist game will entice more businesses above ground. A team of 30 researchers found that African countries had made many incremental changes. "The most surprising thing for me was to see the pickup of reform in Africa," said Simeon Djankov, a World Bank economist who four years ago developed the rankings on the ease of doing business. "Something has happened this year. At least two-thirds of Africa's countries have at least one positive reform."

Tanzania computerized its business and tax registries and reduced delays in customs inspections and the courts. Ghana has cut the corporate tax rate to 25 percent, from 32.5 percent, and made it easier to export goods. Rwanda scrapped a law adopted during Belgian colonial rule that had given one official a monopoly on notarizing documents for the entire country. Ivory Coast slashed the time to register property to a month from more than a year by eliminating a requirement that the urban minister give his consent. Wealthy donors like the World Bank, the United States and Britain, which focus on spurring economic growth and job creation, are putting heavier emphasis on such changes in deciding where to provide aid.

The Millennium Challenge Account, President Bush's aid program, explicitly uses the bank report's measure of days to start a business as one criterion for deciding who qualifies for large grants. Economists outside the bank say the wealth of statistical information and rankings are useful to countries seeking to improve their investment climates. But they also caution that scoring well in the rankings is no guarantee of economic growth and no substitute for a broader economic strategy. "It's just one piece of the puzzle," said William Easterly, a former bank economist who is now an economist at New York University.

Dani Rodrik, a Harvard economist, said the report focused on steps that got government out of the way — like cutting taxes and regulations — but he said that countries often needed governments that encouraged industries through subsidies, preferential tax policies or special economic zones. "What's assumed is that if government provides the right environment for property rights, contract enforcement and low taxes these economies will take off, but in actual fact, economic development requires a government more actively involved with the private sector," he said.

Mr. Djankov, an author of the report, agreed that there were things a government could do that might be more important to economic development than the factors in the report. For example, he said, building a port might make be significant but it could also cost billions of dollars and take years to complete, unlike the changes in the report. "These reforms are very cheap and easy to do for a government," he said. The bank's "Doing Business" report ranked 175 countries by the number of days it takes to start a business and on other indicators that measure contract enforcement, investor protections, corporate taxation levels and the flexibility businesses have to hire and fire workers.

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Happiness

- When the door of happiness closes, another opens, but often times we look so long at the closed door that we don't see the one which has been opened for us.
- The best kind of friend is the kind you can sit on a porch and swing with, never say a word, and then walk away feeling like it was the best conversation you've every had.
- It's true that we don't know what we've got until we lose it, but it's also true that we don't know what we've been missing until it arrives. Giving someone all your love is never an assurance that they'll love you back!
- Don't expect love in return; just wait for it to grow in their heart but if it doesn't, be content it grew in yours. It takes only a minute to get a crush on someone, an hour to like someone, and a day to love someone, but it takes a lifetime to forget someone.
- Don't go for looks; they can deceive. Don't go for wealth; even that fades away. Go for someone who makes you smile because it takes only a smile to make a dark day seem bright. Find the one that makes your heart smile.
- There are moments in life when you miss someone so much that you just want to pick them from your dreams and hug them for real!
- Dream what you want to dream; go where you want to go; be what you want to be, because you have only one life and one chance to do all the things you want to do.
- May you have enough happiness to make you sweet, enough trials to make you strong, enough sorrow to keep you human, enough hope to make you happy.
- Always put yourself in others' shoes. If you feel that it hurts you, it probably hurts the other person, too. The happiest of people don't necessarily have the best of everything; they just make the most of everything that comes along their way.
- Happiness lies for those who cry, those who hurt, those who have searched, and those who have tried, for only they can appreciate the importance of people who have touched their lives. Love begins with a smile, grows with a kiss and ends with a tear.
- The brightest future will always be based on a forgotten past, you can't go on well in life until you let go of your past failures and heartaches. When you were born, you were crying and everyone around you was smiling.

Live your life so that when you die, you're the one who is smiling and everyone around you is crying.

[Author Unknown -- from 'Aiken Drum' (Aiken@AikensLaughs.com)]

Adjusting by Kelly Garriott Waite

People ask how we're adjusting. I put on my brightest smile. "Oh, fine," I tell them, biting down hard on the truth. When they ask how we like the area, I reply, "Oh, it's nice," because, really, that's what they want to hear - how great their area is. We knew the transfer was coming; we just didn't know when. In early June of last year, we received word that we were moving back to the States, not to Ohio, where we had lived before, but to the New York area. We had less than a month to get out of Canada - hardly enough time to decide where to settle down, especially since this move might be a permanent one.

The East Coast is more foreign to me than Canada ever was. Life rushes by too quickly here. A man in our development yelled at my family for walking too slowly on the sidewalk in front of his house, for inciting his dogs who ran, barking wildly, along the inside of his fence. He failed to notice the little hand that gripped mine, the two little feet that had paused so my son could take note of the worm on the sidewalk. Our Midwestern ways aren't understood: at Christmas, I wrapped twenty boxes of homemade candy and hand-delivered them with my children to area houses. The neighbors looked shocked, almost suspicious. "What does she want?" they seemed to be saying. Inclusion. That's all I'm asking for. But of course, I say nothing.

My husband and I wanted to duplicate what we'd had in Ohio, before our transfer to Canada: some acreage, a small community where everyone knows everyone. But anything with land was at least a two-hour commute to the city. The day we moved in, a few kids came to the door to check out our children. They never returned. While my daughters fashioned "tire swings" from jump ropes and hula hoops in the yard, neighbor kids rode by on their gas-powered scooters. My children tell me stories of their elementary school classmates taking cell phones to school, demonstrating their ring tones. I can't help but remember their Ohio innocence where they played Harry Potter in the orchard, riding around on brooms swiped from the garage, chasing one another around trees heavy with apples, the slow and steady buzz of drunken bees a background accompaniment.

There's this rush, rush, rush, then the coming to a dead stop. The moving company doesn't call. The real estate people no longer send e-mail. The mortgage companies don't compete for my business. I've found a doctor. I've decided on a school. I'm so used to doing and then everything suddenly stops and I realize just how empty my life is. Much of what I value is missing now: extended family, friends, land, a sense of community, of belonging where I live. My husband's commute is long. We miss him. I resent his absence. Only a paycheck binds us to this place. I called my father the other day to wish him a happy birthday. He told me my sisters were there with their families. They were having a barbeque celebration for him. How many family get-togethers will they have without me?

The finality saddens me. Knowing our expatriate assignment was temporary helped us to weather its inevitable ups and downs. This is probably our last company-sponsored move. Do we really want to spend the rest of our lives here? "You'll adjust. It just takes time," people who have gone through many moves tell me. "Get involved in something." I met a woman in the grocery store the other day. "I'm new here," I told her. "Me, too," she said. "I've been here four years." After four years, she still considers herself an outsider and is, for the most part, friendless. We bonded, this stranger and I, and we exchanged phone numbers amid promises to get together. Perhaps we'll have nothing in common but our isolation, but it's a start, isn't it?

Things I'd normally dismiss as part of everyday life become greater than they are, feeding off my frustration at being here. How are we adjusting? I wish I had the courage to say. I'd say that the bus comes ninety minutes earlier than last year's, and we've not yet adjusted to the schedule. The girls dash out to the bus stop carrying half-eaten bagels, shoes slipped on, laces untied. My younger daughter suddenly finds herself in speech therapy, band and honors math. But six months into our move, she still plays alone at recess. Weekdays, she lugs home a twenty-pound book bag and breaks out in tears as soon as she steps off the bus. My older daughter pours her anxiety over the move into an irrational fear that if she doesn't wipe down the toilet before bed, a mean man will sneak into the house during the night.

I'd tell them that yesterday, my older daughter nearly fainted at school and we're still not sure why. That I got another call from the school nurse today, and, this time, it was my younger daughter. And, because I spent three hours at the emergency room, the dog didn't get let out until 4:30 this afternoon. I rushed dinner for the kids and tried to make a pie crust for quiche out of whole-wheat flour and the entire time I was mixing the crust, I was telling myself, "This won't work. This won't work." But in that stubborn way I have of insisting that everything is just fine, everything will turn out in the end if only I try hard enough, I kept working the dough until it became so thick it refused to roll out, and I had to make scrambled eggs and bacon instead.

We're always comparing the nows of our lives to the thens. I find myself mentioning too often that we just moved here from Canada, whether to explain away my constant look of bewilderment or just to cling to our experience, I haven't yet decided. I never expected that coming back to the United States would be so much more difficult than leaving. Sometimes, I wish we could just pack up and move back home. But where is home now, and can you ever go back? You want to know how we're adjusting? We're not OK. We're not fine. We're having a really rough time of it.

And the next time someone asks how I'm doing, I'll ask, "you want the truth?"

And then, I'll tell them.

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Pet Care In Accra

What You Eat Is For the Birds Too!



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Dr. Julia Whittington recently joined the University of Illinois Veterinary Teaching Hospital. In addition to seeing exotic patients, cats, and dogs through the community practice service of the Small Animal Clinic, she will also serve as medical director of the Wildlife Medical Clinic. Since her graduation from the University of Illinois in 1997, Dr. Whittington has worked in private practice in the local community, seeing traditional companion animals and exotics as well as assisting at the Wildlife Medical Clinic as a volunteer.

Dr. Whittington says, "I am really excited because my new position will not only offer a valuable service to our local community but also allow me to help develop procedures and protocols for addressing avian and exotic medical needs."

Dr. Whittington hopes to bring new awareness to exotics owners about the special needs of their pets. One avian medical issue that is often neglected is nutrition. Many bird owners think that seeds should be the main source of food for pet birds, but, as Dr. Whittington says, "For birds, seeds are akin to Snickers bars in the human world."

While birds in the wild do seek out seeds because they are tasty and high in fat and calories, seeds do not provide a complete source of nutrition. Birds in the wild may prefer seeds, but through the process of foraging they also get nutrients from soil, insects, and plant material. Because captive birds cannot forage, it is essential that bird owners make sure complete nutritional needs are met.

"If a bird owner is feeding seeds only, then several essential areas of nutrition are being ignored," says Dr. Whittington.

Ideally, pet birds should be fed a pelleted diet supplemented with a variety of other foods. Most of the commercially available pelleted diets are similar and nutritionally complete. Foods that can be used to supplement the pelleted diet include cooked pasta and rice; dark leafy vegetables, such as broccoli, spinach, or kale; and foods high in protein, such as beans and peas. It is also okay to just let your bird have some of whatever you are eating. This not only helps provide complete nutrition, but also makes the bird feel closer to his flock (you!). Even foods such as fruit and meat are okay as long as they are given less frequently as a treat.

Birds have a poor sense of smell, so they recognize food primarily by sight. They also tend to prefer foods that are familiar to them. Dr. Whittington says, "Some people come in and say, 'I fed my bird seeds and pellets and he just picked out the seeds and wouldn't eat the pellets.' Well, of course! If you give your bird an option, he will eat, first, what tastes good and, second, what he is familiar with!"

Birds that have been on a seed-only diet for an extended period may be reluctant to change over to the pelleted diet. During the transition period, it is important to mix the seeds and the pellets together and gradually decrease the amount of seed in the mixture over 2 to 3 weeks. During this transition period it is essential to monitor the bird to make sure that it is actually eating the pellets and not losing weight. To make sure that the bird is eating, it can also be helpful to check the bird's droppings for fecal material. In birds the urine and the feces are combined; the fecal portion is green and portion from the urinary system is white. Droppings that are white only can indicate that the bird is not eating.

A high-quality pelleted diet that is combined with a variety of other foods is a complete and nutritious diet that needs no supplementation. Supplementation can even lead to vitamin toxicity in some cases. Some people allow their birds to chew on a cuttlebone for extra calcium or supply their bird with a special kind of grit that is supposed to assist in food digestion, but neither of these things is necessary. Dr. Whittington says, "In fact, sometimes we even see blockages of the digestive tract when birds gorge themselves on grit."

A bird that has been on an all-seed diet for an extended period is at risk for obesity, which can lead to stress on the heart and respiratory system. A lack of vitamin A in the diet can lead to a flaky beak, beak overgrowth, thick, scaly skin on the feet, a deficient immune system, and bleeding disorders.

By far the easiest way to make sure that your pet bird gets proper nutrition is to introduce a proper diet initially. Dr. Whittington says, "To stimulate interest in a proper diet, eat in front of your bird and encourage him to have what you are eating. Eat breakfast or dinner with your bird. This not only encourages a well-rounded diet, but it also encourages a healthy relationship with your feathered friend."

If you have any questions about avian nutrition, please contact your local avian veterinarian.

AROUND TOWN

North American Women's Association

promotes friendship among North American women, and between North American & Ghanaian women. Also fundraising for Ghanaian charities, especially those focused on women & children. Meetings start at **6:30 pm** with food and fellowship and the business meeting will follow, at the Coconut Regency Hotel behind Immigration. Their book *No More Worries* can also be found at

www.noworriesghana.com For more info go to www.nawaghana.com or call Carol Pietryk tel. 0242-108273 or email at jcpietryk@yahoo.ca.

Ghana International Women's Club Formed in 1980 with the intention of establishing a strong bond of friendship among 'women of the world', and fostering a better understanding of one another's cultures. Members organize fundraising events and volunteer work. Monthly meetings every 2nd Wed at **Kohinoor Restaurant in Osu** at 9:30 am. **GIWC is on summer break until Wednesday September 13th, 2006**

Ghana Bead Society Develop knowledge, appreciation, and interest in beads in Ghana, both from a traditional and contemporary point of view. Monthly meetings at the DuBois Center, East Cantonments; 4:30 pm, first Thursday of each month. Contact Trish Graham at 764-349 or e-mail: trish_graham@hotmail.com.

Alliance Française Provides French classes for children and adults, and hosts numerous cultural events. Located on Liberation Link Road, Airport Residential. Tel: 773-134.

American Chamber of Commerce promotes commercial, economic, educational and cultural ties between the U.S. and Ghana. Their regular luncheon meetings are on the last Wednesday of the month at La Palm from 12-2:30. Tel: 247-562, 024-251-605. E-mail: amchamgh@ghana.com; Website: www.amcham_africa.org. Located at Hse #C609/3 5th Crescent St, Asylum Down.

Scottish Country Dancing which normally takes place on Tuesday nights at the Grasscutters Return, British High Commission, **is now on a Spring-Summer Break and will resume later in the year.** For more information contact Michael Watts at michael.watts@international.gc.ca or caledonianghana@yahoo.co.uk

Accragio, a singing group open to expatriates and Ghanaians, is preparing its fall program and welcoming new singers. For more information, call Nate at 774-558. Rehearsals take place every Tuesday night at 7:30 p.m. in Labone.

Energize yourself and reduce stress with

Hatha Yoga at YMCA Mon-Wed-Friday, 5:30 pm - 7 pm. Contact Peace on 024-422-6079 or 775-348 ext. 4277.

The International Players The International Players is a local amateur dramatic group that performs publicly. Anyone interested in amateur theater is invited to participate. For information contact: Trish Graham at 764-349 or e-mail: trish_graham@hotmail.com.

Bunko is up and running here in Accra! Fast paced, easy to learn, no skill required, **(ladies only!)** dice game. We meet monthly at rotating houses. For more info or to sign up, email Kylie at edhmcir@hotmail.com.

Theater Mirrors. A local Ghanaian acting troupe, begun in 1986, whose members perform every Friday night at **Bywel Bar**, located across the street from Sotrec Grocery in Osu. Admission is free. 8 PM. The acting group is also available for private performances. Call 024-678956 for details.

Ghana National Theatre Monthly Symphony Program "Sunday at Five" held the last Sunday of every month **is now at Christ the King Parish Hall due to renovations.** Still at 5 pm, still a bargain at 20,000 cedis, 665-735 or 663-467.

Friends of Bill W. Meet Monday evenings 7-8 pm near the Cathedral in Adabraka. Contact Ludwin 020-2018540 or Lydia 024-611385.

Happy Hour Fridays at 5:30 pm an informal group meets for unwinding at the Labone Coffee Shop. All are welcome.

Hash House Harriers (Accra) The Hash House Harriers has been described as a '*drinking group with a running problem.*' However, non-drinkers and walkers are welcome. The Hash runs every Monday, with a 5:15 pm **sharp** departure. Location varies. Contact acrahhh@yahoo.com for details.

Hash House Harriers (Tema) is composed of Ghanaians and expats in and around the Tema area and welcome families with children. Every Thursday at 5:15 April thru October and 5:00 pm November thru March. Contact Frank Davis, at frank.davis@valcotema.com or call 020-201-1525 for information on directions to starting point.

Duplicate Bridge group meets every Tuesday night at 7:30. Any questions please contact Gerry Gray Thibodeau for information or to arrange a partner, 021-775-414. (evenings)

Pick-up Basketball Tuesday evenings (6-8 pm) at GIS. Everyone is invited to join the fun. For additional information, please contact Ted Lawrence (tlawrence@usaid.gov) or Rob Clausen (rclausen@usaid.gov). They can also

be reached by telephone at 228-440.

Pippa's Health and Fitness Center in Osu runs **Tumble Tots** on Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 9:30-11:45 am for 40,000 cedis a day. Toddlers can run around, play, and climb on the gym's tumble equipment and meet other toddlers in the area. Parents or nannies are welcome. Call 22 44 88 for more info.

Mom/Dad & Tots (3 and under) at British High Commission Grasscutters Return. Wednesdays 9:30-11:15 am.

Taekwondo at Pippa's Health and Fitness Center. Adults and kids are welcome. Learn from National Champion Master Stephen Yeboah. Call for registration: 22 44 88.

Frisky's International Film Buff Club views films Tuesdays 7pm. Call Ian at 0244 363017 or Katya at 024 329679 for directions or to receive a map by email.

Free Meditation!! Each Wed at 11 a.m. and Thurs at 6 p.m. At the GMCKS Pranich Healing Center, 1st floor, Pyramid House, Ring Road central (Next to Alitalia). Website: www.pranichealing.org Phone: 021 270162 Services offered: Healing, Courses and Meditations

International Spouses Association of Ghana (ISAG) Are you a non-Ghanaian married to a Ghanaian? If yes, then come and meet others in a similar relationship. First Wednesday of every month at 5.30pm at Ghana International School film room. It's fellowship with some serious bits! For more information, contact Judd on 024-476-7063 or Nina on 024-477-8229 or email isag@ighmail.com

The **Accra Tema Yacht Club (ATYC)** is in Ada on the Volta River, 1½ hours from Accra, close to Manet Paradis Hotel. Races of catamarans and sail boats are held monthly. ATYC has 3 Lasers available for daily or hourly rental, a small bar and four chalets where members may stay overnight. **New members are welcome** as are day visitors for which a nominal daily charge is payable. Contact dmcallagy@gmail.com -or- Duncan.macnicol@asc-gh.com

African American Association of Ghana (AAAG). General meetings held every third Saturday of the month. 2-4pm at the W.E.B. Dubois Center in Cantonments. For more info call 021-785438 or sankofaaaag@yahoo.com

Community News and Events

Korean Film Festival

Sept. 7-9, 2006

GAMA Film Theatre (Next to TV3 Station)

Admission and Drink: Free

Contact the Embassy of the Republic of Korea

021 776157, 021 777533 or email

Ghana@mofat.go.k

The Jazz Society of Ghana

is organizing a series of blues concerts featuring Kellie Rucker on vocals and blues harp, Bill McPherson and Nee Sackey of Native Vibe on guitars and bass respectively as well as an array of seasoned local blues musicians. The first concert is at the DuBois Centre on September 8th, 2006 at 8.00 pm and the second, a "Blues-B-Cue" at the Headlines Hospitality Center in Labone on September 9th, 2006 at 7pm. The first show will cost C150,000 and the second C250,000 per person.

BUNKO IS HERE!

Ladies, Bunko is up and running here in Accra! For those who've never played, Bunko is a fast paced, easy to learn, no skill required, (ladies only!) dice game. We're looking for alternates to fill in when the "regulars" can not play and will eventually take over slots when the regulars leave. We meet monthly at rotating houses. For more info or to sign up, email Kylie at edhrncir@hotmail.com.

Friday 8 September

Night of the Tenor 1830 2000

Edmund Gaisie, a highly acclaimed 'Tenor' is organising a musical concert dubbed the Night of the Tenor' in attendance will be the National Symphony Orchestra and the Calvary Junior Choir of the Calvary Methodist Church.

Tuesday 19th September

EUK brand relaunch 10.00 - 13.00

This event is the official launch of the refreshed Education UK Brand.

The Education UK brand defines and unifies the UK's educational offer, worldwide. It sums up everything it stands for and delivers - from academic excellence to attitude; from career value to lifestyle and culture, and much more besides. The brand is the unique identity that distinguishes Education UK from its competitors in the rest of the world.

Thursday 21st September

UN International Day of Peace 0900-1400

The International Centre for Conflict & Human Rights Analysis is launching a campaign entitled 'Walking a noble path' as part of the United Nations International day of Peace campaign.

Thursday 21st September

Border Crossing Literary Club Public Reading 18.00 - 20.00

The Borders Crossing Literary Club is group of members who participated in a British Council initiative entitled Crossing Borders. The event would feature a public reading by members of some of their works based on 'Africa Proverbs and their meanings'.

Friday 22nd September

Family Tree Foundation Inaugural launch

This event is the official launching of Family Tree Foundation a new NGO.

The event will feature speeches by ranking government officials, dignitaries, members of the diplomatic corps and traditional chiefs.

Friday 29th September

Macmillan Writer's Prize Awards ceremony in Ghana 18.00 - 20.00

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The nations the bank named as the top 10 reformers were, from the best, Georgia, Romania, Mexico, China, Peru, France, Croatia, Guatemala, Ghana and Tanzania. Eastern Europe, Central Asia and wealthy Western nations were the leading regions, followed by Africa. This year, South Asia brought up the rear.

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WANTED

Seeking: competent Brazilian Portuguese language instructor Please call Judy at 0244 327 424 (2)

Wanted: English language tutor for private lessons and practice. Native British or American/Canadian only. Please contact Gwenaël at 0244 334 915. (1)

We are urgently **looking** for a Nanny for our daughter (16 months old). Please call 0246-624607 or email ines.beernaerts@fao.org

SEEKING EMPLOYMENT

HOUSEKEEPER/COOK: Abel is Beninois housekeeper/cook who speaks good English, utterly honest and humble, cooks a variety of French, American and Continental dishes, cleans, washes/irons clothes. Avlb. September 4. more info, Lydia at: 0244-330-199. (2)

HOUSEKEEPER Mary has experience working with expat families (including Americans) and is available for work immediately. Please contact her at 0276271187 for an interview. (1)

Chef Max Kouessi is available for work as a personal chef. He has fed our family of six for the last year and knows how to make a variety of dishes including Mexican and American. His home-made tortillas are among the best available! He's also an expert at planning meals for large gatherings. Max can be reached at 0244-703-911. (3)

Domestic Regina Egbe is seeking employment. She is an excellent nanny and very smart and quick to learn. For more info contact VerrierRP@state.gov (2)

Club Canada

invites Diplomatic Staff and Canadians to

International Night

Thursday 7th September, 2006 at 7:00 pm

Venue: Club Canada Canadian High Commission

42 Independence Avenue Accra

Burgers, hot dogs, snacks and beverages for sale

Come greet old friends and meet new arrivals!!

Please bring your Embassy/Consulate badge or appropriate identification

Age 19 years and over only

Special Drink: " Newfoundland Glacier Vodka Martini"

GHANA ACADEMY OF ARTS AND SCIENCES

INAUGURAL LECTURE

TOPIC: LIBRARIES AND NATIONAL DEVELOPMENT: IMPLICATIONS FOR GHANA

THURSDAY 7TH SEPTEMBER, 2006 5:30PM

BRITISH COUNCIL HALL, ACCRA

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MISCELLANEOUS	VEHICLES FOR SALE	
<p>Rare gem: Upright Steinway piano - wheeled, rosewood cabinet, ivory keys- available for sale. Needs tuning. Valued at \$12,5000. Will accept any reasonable offer. Contact 0208176666 or leave a name and number with Felicite at 021 782 464 (1)</p>	<p>2001 Toyota model 40,000 miles. Automatic Power windows and doors. Sunroof CD player and tape deck. Duty Free Excellent condition, regular maintenance, new tires. Available end of September Price \$13,000Call 0243 365 160 for more details. (3)</p>	<p>2003 Volvo S40 Saloon car, black leather seats, AC, airbags, alarmed, power steering, AM/FM stereo, power doors and locks. Fully loaded, low mileage \$20,000. Duty paid. Call 020 813-6962 (2)</p>
<p>For Sale: 2004 Toyota Prado GX 3.0L Diesel. Silver. 18.500 km. CD. \$28.500 or best offer (BO); Whirlpool chest freezer (478 liters): \$475 or BO; Whirlpool refrigerator (480 liters): \$625 or BO; Whirlpool stove/cooker (5 burner): \$725 or BO; Whirlpool 1.5 HP split: \$500 or BO; Whirlpool washing machine (top loading): \$675 or BO; Trampoline and enclosure: \$1000 or BO; Above ground Intex swimming pool (4.5 m diameter/1 m depth/filtration/filters): \$750 or BO; Outdoor wooden play set: \$850 or BO; Exterior aluminum ladder (2 stories): \$150 or BO; DSTV dish/dual system; Baby hi-chair and sleeper; Garbage bin. Call 0243 310 497 or 0243 310 496. (3)</p>	<p>Toyota Prado, 3.0 L. diesel, 10 seater, silver-grey, july 2004, 33000kms. Double fuel tank, double diesel filter, multi T-lock, cd player, custom mad bull- backbar and roof rack. EUR 22,000.00 duties not paid. DSTV dual view system, EUR 300.00, Buffet cabinet EUR 115.00. Computer rack EUR 100.00, B & O stereo equipment (TV, Multi-cd player and 4 speakers. For information please call Jef Haenen, 0244-329037 (1)</p>	<p>Car for Sale Peugeot 306 HDI Station Wagon, 2000-model, 73.000 km (50.000 of which in Germany), only used in Accra, all kinds of extras, extremely fuel efficient, serviced regularly. Asking price Dollar 7.500.- (or equivalent) or highest bidder. Taxes not paid. Mobile: 020-2013161, Office: 021-772471 & 772687. Email: fes-ghana@myzipnet.com (1)</p>
<p>For Sale: Dell Dimension 4700 Pentium 4 Processor Can support a max memory of 4 GB 17" Flat Screen Monitor \$750.00 - Available immediately. (2) I can be contacted on: 0244-329073. (3)</p>	<p>2001 Nissan Pathfinder SE 4WD -V6 Engine, 250hp 49,500 miles - Excellent Condition, Power Locks, Windows, Mirrors - Driver and Front Passenger Airbags 3 CD changer - Duty Not Paid, Price \$16,000. If interested, please call Mitchell at 0277-565-594 (1)</p>	<p>CDs for Sale Peace Corps Volunteer and musician Tonya Stephenson, who lives and works in a small community near Bolgatanga, is selling CDs to support the Tengzug Youth Choir. The choir, which was formed in 2005, has 15 girls and boys ages 12-16. Proceeds from the sale of the CDs will provide support for the choir members to attend Senior Secondary School. The songs are in Talan (local language), Frafra, Zulu, and English. If you are interested in purchasing a CD and helping to support this worthy project you can contact Mary Jordan (spouse of Karl Field) at 0243 833 010. (1)</p>
<p>For Sale: A beautiful puppy (almost 3 months old) is available for sale by the breeder. It's a male and he's going to be a big dog. If you are interested, please contact Margaret Asare at the above email or at 0244 361 078 (3)</p>	<p>Mazda 6, 2.0, 2004 Model - Grace Green Metallic, 21,700km, 1 Owner, Full Service History, Full Options, ABS, C/C, CD, Alloy Wheels, a/bgx6, Brand New Condition. Call 0242 847 298 \$24,000 Nissan Corolla, 2000 - grey, e/c, c/c, rd/c, Full Service History \$10,000- Call 665052 (3)</p>	<p>CO-CLO POSITION STILL OPEN FOR AMERICAN EMBASSY FAMILY MEMBERS ONLY!!! CALL Rich Marsh in Human Resources for more info.</p>
<p>KITTENS FREE to a good hom: Three adorable kittens about two months old. Take one, two or all! (3)</p>	<p>LANDROVER DEFENDER 110 - Under 3 yrs old, 10,000 Km, 9 seats, large roof rack, spare tyres. Duty not paid, £10,000 or BEST offer. Available immediately Call Brent at 0243169326 (2)</p>	<p>Have you seen a great movie? Read a great book? Eaten at a great restaurant? Why not share your great find with the rest of us? Send it to accrao-kyeame@yahoo.com</p>
	<p>1994 OPEL ASTRA S/WAGON Silver, 90,000kil, in very good condition. 1st owner in Ghana, Strong engine. New water pump, battery, Thermostat, AM/FM CD player. \$4500. Marton 024 335 2892 martonm@sas.upenn.edu (3)</p>	<p>Famous Quotes: Do not look where you fell, but where you slipped. African proverb</p>
	<p>FOR SALE: Expat leaving - items for sale include: living room furniture, GE washing machine & dryer, LG refrigerator, Sony TV (34 ins) & lots of other attractive household items For more info: please contact mob no. 021-271092 or 0244972174 (3)</p>	
	<p>For Sale: Navy blue, Italian leather sofas for sale, One 2 seater & one 3 seater, slightly used \$1500 ONO please call 020 813-6962 (3)</p>	